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S. 1641

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to extend medicare cost-sharing for certain qualifying individuals (QI-1s).

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “QI-1s Medicare Cost-
5 Sharing Extension Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF MEDICARE COST-SHARING FOR CER-**
7 **TAIN QUALIFYING INDIVIDUALS.**

8 (a) EXTENSION OF SUNSET.—Section
9 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
10 1396a(a)(10)(E)(iv)) is amended—

1 (1) by striking subclause (II);

2 (2) beginning in the matter preceding subclause
3 (I), by striking “ending with December 2002” and
4 all that follows through “for medicare cost-sharing
5 described” in subclause (I) and inserting “ending
6 with March 2004) for medicare cost-sharing de-
7 scribed”; and

8 (3) by striking “, and” at the end and inserting
9 a semicolon.

10 (b) TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR ALLOCATION.—
11 Section 1933(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
12 1396u–3(c)) is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (1)(E), by striking “fiscal year
14 2002” and inserting “each of fiscal years 2002 and
15 2003”; and

16 (2) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “the sum
17 of” and all that follows through
18 “1902(a)(10)(E)(iv)(II) in the State; to” and insert-
19 ing “the total number of individuals described in
20 section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv) in the State; to”.

21 (c) SPECIAL RULE FOR FIRST QUARTER OF 2004.—
22 Section 1933 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
23 1396u–3) is amended by adding at the end the following:
24 “(g) SPECIAL RULE.—With respect to the period that
25 begins on January 1, 2004, and ends on March 31, 2004,

1 a State shall select qualifying individuals, and provide
2 such individuals with assistance, in accordance with the
3 provisions of this section as in effect with respect to cal-
4 endar year 2003, except that for such purpose—

5 “(1) references in the preceding subsections of
6 this section to ‘fiscal year’ and ‘calendar year’ shall
7 be deemed to be references to such period; and

8 “(2) the total allocation amount under sub-
9 section (c) for such period shall be \$100,000,000.”.

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